

## NEW LIFE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

MEAT NOT MILK...

God created all things, no one taught God, or helped God make plans.

We are God's plan. The Church is God's plan. Do we think we should build God's Church, help him along a bit? Jesus said: "I will build my Church".  
So what is the Church and what are we to do?

The Church is a body, a bride for Jesus. We who are The Church are currently imperfect; we constantly mess up. Jesus died for the sake of his bride, to purify and make her perfect. He will purify and unite with her when he returns.

What about now? Now we, The Church, are meant to show the "manifold wisdom of God"...what does that mean?!

Paul, who writes about this, says: "And so here I am, preaching and writing about things that are way over my head, the inexhaustible riches and generosity of Christ. My task is to bring out in the open and make plain what God, who created all this in the first place, has been doing in secret and behind the scenes all along. Through followers of Jesus like yourselves, gathered in churches, this extraordinary plan of God is becoming known and talked about even among the angels!"(Ephesians 3)

We are meant to tell others about God's plan. What is God's plan?

God's plan is for all people to be part of the family forever. To believe, accept and follow Jesus. How? It's simple, just accept the invitation! You do not have to be perfect to get in, or stay spotless to remain. This is not to say that we can continue to do what we like when we like it, God wants commitment.

Jesus is God's plan, it is by accepting Jesus that we can be part of the family.

Until Jesus returns the purpose of The Church on earth is this:

To live and meet together to worship God. To allow God's Holy Spirit to unite, move, use, lead and change us, to keep meeting together and not give up.

To give prime place to God. Wherever we are meeting, this is to be God's Sanctuary – a Holy place where we remember who God is.

To teach. God's Word, The Bible, has many teachings. It is not enough to be like babies drinking milk; some parts are meaty and need a lot of consideration. If we only listen to people and not to God's word, we can be easily misled. Test everything with God's Word.

The Church should be a place for healing. Sadly for some it has become a place of hurt. Jesus on earth healed the physically sick; through the cross Jesus can heal spiritual sickness, make us completely new.

It is a place to seek wisdom and sort out disputes, not to go to legal court but to hold each other accountable.

It is a lost and found centre, always looking for the lost; caring for and teaching the found.

Something to get your teeth into?

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